

Officers on Extension

2647. SHRI SOUMYA RANJAN : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Secretaries, Additional Secretaries, Deputy Secretaries and Under Secretaries of the autonomous bodies have been given extension in service; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the particulars of the persons to whom granted extension in service in the year 1994, 1995 and 1996?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S.R. BALASUBRAMONIYAN) : (a) and (b) The employees of the autonomous bodies are governed by their own rules/regulations or bye-laws and extensions in service/re-employment in autonomous bodies is granted by them in accordance with their rules/regulations or bye-laws. Since Government of India does not come into picture in such cases, this information is not monitored centrally.

Import of Reactors for Power Generation

2648 SHRI SUSHIL CHANDRA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the salient features of the deal being made with Russia for the import of reactors for power generation in India;

(b) the manner in which the availability of fuel proposed to be ensured for the reactors; and

(c) whether India is now in a position to produce all the fuel that is needed by the existing atomic power plants and may be required by such plants to be set up in the coming decades?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH) : (a) The proposed technical cooperation agreement with the Russian Federation on implementation of a 2 x 1000 MWe Light Water Nuclear Power Station envisages design and supply of equipment by Russian organisations, erection, commissioning and operation by the Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited, with Russia providing technical assistance for specialised erection works, commissioning and training of personnel. The Russian Government would extend soft term state credit to cover 85% of the cost of the Russian scope of works and supplies at an interest of 4% repayable in 12 equal annual instalments after scheduled date of commissioning of the units.

(b) As per the IGA of 1988, nuclear fuel and control assemblies required for the whole period of operation of these power stations will be supplied by the Russian Organisation.

(c) India is in a position to produce all the fuel that is needed for the Pressurised Heavy Water Reactors in the country. Requirement of fuel for the Boiling Water Reactor type Tarapur Atomic Power Station is met through imports.

Encroachments

2649. SHRI PRADIP BHATTACHARYA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the major towns and urban areas of Uttar Pradesh have come into bad shape due to concerted encroachments on public parks and open lands;

(b) whether some of the Central Government lands there have also been encroached upon;

(c) whether authorities there have been failing to take effective measures against all such people;

(d) whether the Government have identified the areas of encroachment either in the civil or military areas within the major towns of the State; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) : (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

LPG Connections

2650. SHRI AJAY CHAKRABORTY : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether a large number of dealers of LPG for domestic supplies to consumers have been diverting gas cylinders to other consumers like hotels and industries at a higher cost;

(b) whether some of the dealers have been forcing the consumers to stand in que for hours together and collect their cylinders with much risks instead of home delivery;

(c) whether the consumers in Lucknow and Kanpur have been making series of complaints to oil companies against their particular dealer or agencies;

(d) if so, whether the Government propose to tighten the rules of the oil companies to urgently attend to such complaints; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?